

THE HICKMAN COURIER.

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HICKMAN, FULTON COUNTY, KY., DEC. 8, 1899.

VOL. XXXV, NO. 3.

Local and Personal.

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\$5 out clock, \$1.50 at Buck's.
This winter now. God help the poor!
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George, of Graves, announces his candidacy for reelection as pension agent, on Saturday.
The Church, Friday night, the great question, that will be the great question of the year. Now is the time, the very time, to subscribe for the most reliable newspaper circulation in the field of political news. While the Hickman Weekly Republic circulates in all political parties without prejudice. Its telegraphic and cable news service is superior to that of any other paper. Its special features are the best. In fact, it is the paper for that large class of readers who cannot afford or do not have access to the daily papers.
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The people of the United States should be the basis of a strong financial policy. The Republicans are no more sincere in their professions regarding this question than many of the Democrats. Instead of the statesmen and financiers in both parties honestly endeavoring to devise the best system that united wisdom can evolve, many leaders on both sides are altogether by their hope of gaining political advantage.

THE OPENING OF CONGRESS.

The meeting of Congress was in most respects a reproduction of the usual scenes which are yearly enacted at this time, except that the president's message was not, as usual, presented and read. This was on account of the death of President McKinley. The Senate adjourned immediately after organization out of respect to his memory.
The most important questions which will come up will of course be the colonial ones, regarding Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. Porto Rico is already ripe for action by Congress, and a plan for its government will no doubt be considered at an early date. The currency question will of course be a theme of heated debate, and it is extremely doubtful if the Republicans, despite their protests of affection for the gold dollar, will pass the bill as outlined by the Congressional Committee, which has had the framing of its charge all summer.
The Center.

The Covington Commonwealth says: "According to surveys, the center of the state is located in Garrard county, about four miles west of Lancaster. A new dwelling is being erected on this spot, and it will make the residence somewhat interesting, as the magic center of Kentucky, and the undoubted hub of the universe."

Wall Paper Cheap.
Wall Paper for the medium sized room, \$1.00. We are making special prices in order to reduce stock. L. S. BROWN'S.

HUMBOLDT, TENN., is on a sure enough boom and will soon have a 5,000 apple cotton mill in operation. Application has already been made for a charter.

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FAULKNER-WALTERS.
About 4 o'clock last evening Mr. J. J. Faulkner and Miss Maudie Walters, while seated in their buggy in front of the court house, were joined in holy matrimony by Rev. R. Polk. The bride was 18, and the groom 16 years old. They were from Fulton County Ky., and came here to escape the obnoxious objection—Union City, Couriers.
If You Want Books, Literature, Journals and Gift Books, examine our stock. Our prices will do the rest.
Books and Jewellery.

The melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year, when the frequent change of underwear keeps the house in constant fear: when thoughts of the newly stovepipe cause a man to wonder how he's going to do it, jumpy and keep his Christian vow; when the platoon of a coal bill as it appears to the business eye will make him forget the Maine, as it knocks his accounts sky high; mid frost and rain, storm and snow, some days warm and some days murky, he wonders where in thunder he'll get a big fat Christmas turkey.
Optical work a specialty. Glasses fitted accurately and scientifically. Dr. B. W. Post, graduate Optician, of Peoria, Ill., will give his personal attention to this work, and we guarantee perfect satisfaction. Eyes tested free of charge.
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Concerning bachelors, an exchange of letters is published as follows: A bachelor is a coward and failure; he shaves and primp, but is too cowardly to put his arms around success and press it to his bosom. Will you be mine? you are mine. He resolves to marry every day for forty years, but when the hour arrives for the deed, when in the presence of trembling rosy cheeks, when beauty shakes her curls, his courage all oozes and he flees the field and dies without learning of a cowpath that leads to matrimony. Better be old dorky Rusten in his cabin where he holds his hand and asks "who's sweet?" and Dinah drops her head on his shoulder and says "Bote us."

Notice.
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—The wheat crop in this section is looking fine; in fact, some of the farmers think it is growing into the best and the lowest prices on Holiday Goods in the country.

—Judge Jno. W. Cowgill, who has been dangerously ill the past week, is now believed to be in much better condition. His condition is yet very precarious.

—Don't You Forget It!

—That Wilson's Cash and Jewelry Store is the place to buy Christmas Presents. Everything now on display.

—Hickman merchants have received their Christmas goods in large quantities. They are ready to meet the demand. Business is anticipated, as in many instances purchases have been larger than usual.

—Jornon Roberts was compelled to step aside, being excluded from participation in proceedings pending investigation into the case of the late Governor. He was, however, present and his own speech was impressive and won him friends.

—Don't be fooled. Just think back and you will see that, in fact anything in the jewelry line cheaper than any one here as the entire stock cost about 60¢ on the dollar.

—In choosing a Christmas gift for a friend what can afford more pleasant or lasting pleasure than a subscription to the HICKMAN COURIER. There is no household in the country in which it will not prove an inspiration.

—County Clerk Eaton issued marriage licenses this week as follows: J. John Pounds to Miss Kate McGee, on the 26th inst; J. H. P. P. to Miss R. J. Williams, on the 27th inst; F. B. Beaver to Miss Dora Carter, on the 28th inst.

—We sell more Boats than any one else in the city. Because our prices are always right. Call early to get first choice.

—Book and Jewelry Store.

—The President's message appears in full in the Courier this week. If you want an intelligent comprehension of public affairs it will be well to read the full document. If pressed for time you can read the salient points of the message as summarized in another part of the paper.

—Mens and Boys Suits go at Cost at Buchanan's.

—The Courier is informed that Government engineers will be in Hickman soon to make a survey and estimate of the Hickman and Tippecanoe levees. It was understood that the Government has yet made an allotment, but that the River Commission is causing the survey to be made as a basis for the Government's extending aid towards building the levee.

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He considers the Nicaragua canal a necessity.

As to questions growing out of the war with Spain he says the friendly relations between the two countries have been restored and that the resolution of Congress disclaiming any disposition to exercise jurisdiction or control over Cuba, except for its protection, is the pledge of the highest honorable obligation and must be sacredly kept.

Concerning the number of troops now in the Philippines, he states when the troops now under order reach Manila the force in the archipelago will comprise 2,051 officers and 43,483 men.

His service now extends to Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and that the United States postal service is on a revenue producing basis.

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—A. M. Shaw, of State Lane, is visiting her parents in Hickman.

—See EAKER's line of Christmas Candles, &c., before buying elsewhere.

—Miss Lona McGinnis, of Cairo, Ill., is the guest of Misses Mattie and Ouida Mooney.

—Mr. Thos. Mooney and family moved to their new home on Union Street, Monday.

—EAKER keeps everything you want in the Grocery line, and his prices are right.

—Capt. John Yawger piloted the M. B. Shaw to Memphis, Wednesday, towing a large pleasure boat.

—Heavy sold Boots, as soft as Kid, for \$3.50. RICE & NAYLOR.

—Messrs. F. E. Case and John Kingwood visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Garrigan, near Union City, Sunday.

—10 cents for solid silver Thimbles at Buck's. The largest and best assorted stock in the city.

—Dr. Chas. and Morris Miles, father and son, of Union City, were in Hickman, Wednesday, on professional business.

—Messrs. C. B. Travis, Len and Miss Shaw, Warner Brevard and Miss Bessie Case attended the ball at Martin, Tuesday night.

—Mr. T. Williams and wife, of Hickman, Ky., are visiting Mrs. Williams' sister, Mrs. Kate Osborne, this week.—Lake Co. Press.

—Buck's repair work is gaining daily on Watches, Clocks, &c.

—Judge J. Yawger, Joshua Dodds and H. C. Beckman, were elected by the City Council as Tax Collectors for the ensuing year.

—Schlenker has just received a fine assortment of Holiday Goods. See him before buying.

—Mrs. John Ford, accompanied by Mrs. Dr. Kane and Miss Lila Allen, of Fulton, came down this week to visit Mrs. Otto Herwick.

—A handsome line of Glass and China Ware, suitable for Christmas presents, at EAKER'S. Cheap, too!

—Mr. Prether Jones and Miss Elsie Shepard, of Hickman, were married by Squire Sacra, at Union City, Saturday. Published as a runaway marriage.

—Purchase your Xmas Presents, at Cost, at Buchanan's.

—Dr. F. M. Usher, the well known physician of Fulton, was called to Hickman this week to consult with Dr. Fae, as to Judge Cowgill's illness.

—Get your Christmas things for your children at Buck's. He will give you half the profit.

—Mrs. D. B. Burnett, of Reelfoot, who has been visiting relatives in Hickman, Ky., returned the first of the week. Miss Addie Katner returned with her for a visit.—Lake Co. Press.

—Miss Beulah Boogher, of Hickman, State Worker for the W. C. T. U., made an address at Windsor Chapel, Monday night, Paducah, about the Lord's Temperance Legion with children, says the Paducah News.

—The latest!

MANISH SHOES

for Ladies, at RICE & NAYLOR'S Cash Shoe Store.

—Mr. Al. Farns was the gallant and good looking escort of Misses Myra Robbins, Light, May and Irene Farns, Marie Brevard and Mabelle Goodier to Messrs. Gardner and Martin's dance, at Martin, Tenn., Tuesday eve.

—Five Watches, Rings, Jewelry, &c., suitable for Christmas Gifts, at Schlenker's Jewelry Store.

—Dr. Davidson informs us that this has been the best trip he has ever made to this place. We are truly glad to hear this, for the Dr. is an up-to-date dentist, a deserving gentleman and one whom we're always glad to have among us, even though it be for only a short while.—Tiptonville Press.

—New Goods, suitable for holiday gifts, such as Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Ties, Towels, Scarfs and rugs just received, at H. C. ARMSTRONG'S.

—A camp of the Daughters of the Confederacy was organized at Fulton last week, with the following officers: Mrs. A. J. Collins, president; Mrs. R. A. Cooke, vice president; Mrs. U. S. Shacklett, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. H. Ewing, recording secretary; Mrs. R. A. Brouder, treasurer; Misses Genevieve Cooke and Della Cook, historians. The chapter was named the "Col. Ed. Crossland."

—For BARGAINS in Clothing, Hats, Shoes &c., go to Buchanan's Closing Sale.

POSTPONED TO DEC. 15.

The ladies of the Episcopal Church desire the announcement made that the Bazaar, published for the 8th, has been postponed to Friday, Dec. 15th.

AGUINALDO TO SURRENDER.

HONG KONG, Dec. 5.—Aguinaldo has called here that he wants to surrender to the Americans.

A Keen, Clear Brain.

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your Stomach and Liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by all druggists.

—Now is the time to buy your fall and winter supply of goods. Consult the Courier's advertisers and you will find bargains unequaled anywhere in Western Kentucky or West Tennessee.

—Gov. Bradley appeared before the Election Commissioners and denounced as base those who charged that he had directly or indirectly sought to bring soldiers to Frankfort, or to otherwise intimidate the Board.

—Just received!—Genuine, old-fashioned Louisiana Molasses, and an excellent article of Country Sorghum. Also, 5 and 10 gallon Kegs, at EAKER'S.

—Kentucky sportsmen would do well to remember that the game law states plainly that it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to hunt with gun or dog within or upon the grounds or lands of another without first obtaining from the owner permission to do so.

—My stock of Holiday Goods is now open and ready for inspection. Call and see me before buying elsewhere.

CHAS. O. SCHLENKER.

—A new order of the postal department reduces postage to the Philippine Islands from 2 cents a half ounce to 2 cents an ounce, the same as postage in this country. Letters and papers to soldiers have been sent by permission of the Government at the same rate as prevails in the United States. All other letters were required to pay at the rate of 5 cents for each half ounce.

—Honesty and truthfulness will prevail. Buck's is the place that cuts the price on solid gold and good jewelry, no trash.

—No sign of business activity is as certain in its meaning as the volume of advertising put forth by merchants. When this advertising decreases noticeably, the sure interpretation is that the merchants carry smaller stocks and meet the smaller demand which dull times and consequent retrenchments among the people make necessary. When it increases, there can be no doubt of advanced general purchasing power.

—The entire stock of the best gold and silver goods in Kerr & Randle's stock must be sold regardless of cost, at Buck's.

—Of course we all want good roads now. This is the time of year to talk country road improvement.

In the summer time when the roads are good they don't need improvement but in the bad winter weather when they cannot be improved the populace sits and howls for improvement. The plan if continually adopted will result in having the same roads as we have now when winter blows his trumpet in the glorious season.

—R. W. Buck is the manager of this well selected and fine gold goods, at prices never before so low. —our teens treatment to all at Buck's. He will show you the jewelry and cut the price.

My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. Some time ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—Thos. C. Brown, Glenwood, Ky. For sale by Cowgill & Cowgill, Hickman, and A. M. Shaw, State Lane, Druggists.

—We are here to stay and doing business at the old stand, opposite Witting's store. No one will appreciate your patronage more, or take more pleasure in trying to please you than we do. —WILL CROWELL, R. U. CALDWELL and H. R. IVY.

—Young man don't swear! There is no occasion for it outside of a printing office, where it is used if the paper is behind time. It also comes in handy in proof reading and is indispensable when the ink works bad and the press begins to buck. It is sometimes brought into use when the foreman is mad, and it has been known to entirely remove that tired feeling of the editor when he looks over the paper when it is printed. Outside of a printing office it is a foolish habit.

—The following is a list of visitors who attended the Thanksgiving Ball at the new Laclede: Gus and Ben Herling and Carman Hughes, Union City; Miss King, Woodliff, La. Tenn.; Eve Albright, Henry Hale, Albert Wiley, Willie Headley, Mayfield, Ky.; Tom Lovelace and Harry Murphy, Fulton; Roy Martin and John Gardner, Martin; J. F. Roberts, Union City; Myra Robbins, New Madrid, Mo.; Wade and Tom Gardner, Terrell, Tenn.; Dr. Louis LeRoy, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

—The Tree Barber Shop is the place to get your shaving, haircutting and shampooing done. Prompt service and courteous treatment.

A. L. HOCKING, Prop'r.

—A small boy from the slums had been brought into the mission school and for a couple of Sundays he had been instructed in the rudiments. On the third Sunday he brought with him his brother William. To test his memory the teacher began to go over the previous lessons.

"Who made you?" she asked.

"God," he replied promptly.

"And what else did God make?"

The youngster studied for a moment and looked around hopelessly till he noticed his brother, then his face brightened.

"He made Bill, too, I guess," he answered triumphantly.—Commonwealth Appeal.

A Xmas Announcement!

All our Stock has been added to greatly by the filling in of

HOLIDAY LINES!

And we will put before our customers a larger selection than at any preceding St. Nicholas anniversary, yet not departing from the lines selected for the various Departments.

To the Farmer!

We solicit a continuance of their trade, and as we never neglect an opportunity of putting in our Store the products of the farm, we invite them to bring their Butter, Eggs, Vegetables, etc., to us, and receive the highest market price.

To the Ladies!

We are holding our SHOE DEPARTMENT up in every respect, and as far as LOW PRICES and GOOD VALUES are concerned, there is none superior to SHAW.

A large line of the finest, as well as the cheapest, brands always kept in stock.

To the Young Man!

Our Christmas Stock of

TIES, COLLARS, CUFFS, Etc.,

as well as everything else a man can use in the Gents' Furnishing Department, will be in the lead in this section, at

SHAW'S DEPARTMENT STORES.



For December!

We will make the following VERY LOW PRICES on our entire Stock of

Pants, Underwear, Shoes, and Rubber Goods.

Mens Heavy Fleece Undershirts, Worth 40 cents, for.....	25c	Full Stock of Hosiery, Gloves, Collars, Neckwear, Hats, Caps, Suspenders, Umbrellas, &c.....	50c
Mens Heavy Ribbed Undershirts and Drawers, Others ask 75c, our price.....	48c	Boys Jeans Pants, for.....	50c
Mens Heavy Fleece Undershirts and Drawers, Worth 75c—this sale at.....	48c	Mens Heavy Cassimere Pants, Worth \$2.00, for.....	\$1.50
Mens Heavy Fleece-Lined Shirts and Drawers, Good colors, worth \$1.00—our price.....	68c	Large line of Mens Pants from the finest to the cheapest.....	25c
Mens Heavy Camel Hair Shirts and Drawers, Fleece Lined, well worth \$1.25—go at.....	98c	Heavy Wool Mitts.....	10c
Heavy All-Wool Kersey Pants, Good patterns, well made, to close out at.....	\$1.98	Mens Heavy Wool Sox, Worth 20c, our price.....	10c
Good Heavy Jeans Pants for.....	98c	Heavy Blanket Lined Duck Coats, Worth \$1.50, our price.....	\$1.00
		Boys Knee Pants for.....	25c

Largest and best assorted Stock of

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CURRENT TOPICS.

SALTED whale meat is a Japanese delicacy.

The number of Buddhists is computed to be \$5,000,000.

Cuban farmers want protection against American corn.

LAND in England is 30 times as valuable now as it was 200 years ago.

Mrs. JEFFERSON DAVIS is to make her permanent home in New Orleans.

There are 850,000 men in the world who make a livelihood chiefly by fishing.

WILLIAM M. EVERTS lives in almost complete seclusion at his home in New York.

ERNEST LATHROP, of Westfield Mass., in his will left \$15,000 to D. L. Moody.

IN France the bread is baked in rolls about the size of a man's arm and four feet long.

A NEW public school in St. Louis is to be named in honor of the late Eugene Field.

THERE are scores of places in this country where only one mail comes every 14 days.

Among professional women hospital nurses, it is said, head the list of marrying women.

More than half of the phosphate in the world is now supplied by the United States.

At meetings of the British cabinet to official record of any kind is kept of the proceedings.

At Olympia, Wash., crystals sell at \$1.50 a gallon and \$5.75 a sack for the crystals in shells.

NAVAL experts are endorsing strongly the project of a national naval reserve, with four-year terms of service.

A GROWING Vermont industry is the canning of corn, this season's output in the southeastern part of the state being 5,000,000 cans.

It is estimated that Missouri farmers received over \$8,000,000 for their wheat last year. The number shipped to St. Louis was 117,605.

Tax next portrait to be hung in the treasury department will be that of the present secretary, Mr. Gage. The portrait is now being painted.

For 200 years Mexico has produced one-third of all the silver that was mined. The production at present is more than \$60,000,000 annually.

IN New York trade is so brisk among the brass workers that employers are finding difficulty in securing enough men to keep up with their new orders.

HERNANDEZ never eat rabbits as they say they don't with him, nor will they touch snails or turtles, which are found in great numbers all over the country.

PRESIDENT STEIN of the Orange Free State is proud of his humble origin. "My father," he once said, "was a wagon-maker, and I am glad to be able to say a good one."

Mrs. GULLY, wife of the speaker of the house of commons, has the invidious task of dispensing light bulbs in the selection of the ladies' gallery in the house.

The Western part of Persia is inhabited by a species of camel which is the pigmy of its kind. It is snow white, and is on that account almost worshipped by the people.

The main reason why consumptives are sent to New Mexico is that it is always warm enough there to live outdoors. Staying out of doors is the specific for almost every ill.

LATEST reports from some 40 cities and towns show that an era of almost unprecedented building activity has set in, despite the high and advancing prices of iron, steel, lumber, glass, paint and other material.

SATURDAY has always been observed as Sunday in Haratonga, in the South Pacific, owing to the mistaken reckoning by the early missionaries. The island legislature has just passed a bill rectifying the mistake.

INSULAR POLICY.

The Annual Report of Secretary Root Deals With the Question.

High Tribute Paid to the Courage of Our Troops in the Face of Great Hardships—The Situation is Much Improved in Cuba.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Dealing as it does with large questions of insular policy, of army reorganization, of the future of Cuba and of the campaign in the Philippines, the first annual report of Secretary Root, just made public, is of exceptional interest. The report begins with the recital of the policy followed in reorganizing the army in accordance with the necessities arising from the discharge of the state volunteers and of the men enlisted for the Spanish-American war, and gives statistics of the past and present strength of the organization, covering in that respect matters dealt with in the report of the major general commanding and of the adjutant general. It is stated that at present all of the new regiments of volunteers are in the Philippines or on their way there.

The operations of the islands are next taken up and the report again points out that the outbreak of last February was provoked by the insurgents themselves and was from our standpoint unavoidable. Frequent reference is made to the report of Gen. Otis to show the magnitude of the task set for him and the inadequate forces at his command when the outbreak came, and a high tribute is paid to the courage of the troops, who, in the face of great hardships, voluntarily consented to fight as insular troops and to leave their homes upon the expiration of their terms of service.

The history of the operations of the past several months, and the secretary outlines the plan of the present campaign which began in October. This involved the movement of three separate forces. One was to proceed up the Rio Grande to the northern eastern borders of the plains and strike across to the Gulf of Lingayen.

Another was to land on the golf shores by transports and proceed along the coast road to unite with the first force. A third column was to strike straight along the railroad to Dagupan.

The secretary says these movements were executed with extraordinary rapidity and success, notwithstanding delays of rain. It is said that wherever the permanent occupation of our troops has extended in the Philippines, civil law has been put in operation, and that established and education introduced until at present in Manila there are now better facilities for primary education than in any other island.

A chapter tells of what has been done in Cuba by the army during the past year. Order has been maintained, the influence of the present, the reconstruction has been alleviated, sanitation has been introduced, and all respects satisfactory progress has been made, and the part played by our troops now is but the restraining influence of their presence. The complete restoration of the sugar industry has been seriously hampered by the lack of capital. As order has been restored, the forces have been reduced and only the necessary contingents for the withdrawal of eight companies of infantry and eight troops of cavalry.

In Porto Rico the army has been devoted to administering the island and to civil government of the island and instructing the people in the rudiments of self government at every step in connection with the reconstruction. That work has been retarded by the unfortunate industrial conditions, owing to lack of markets for the island products and to the distress caused by the great hurricanes. Nevertheless, much work has been done to correct abuses, the courts have been reorganized, the writ of habeas corpus has been restored and arrangements have been made for taking the census.

North Tucker in the South.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 2.—Commander North Tucker, of the Salvation army, passed through this city Friday night on route direct to New Orleans. After which he will go to Mobile, Montgomery, Nashville and Atlanta for the purpose of inaugurating his plan of mission work among the southern negroes.

Murder in a dormitory.

KANAKAKE, Ill., Dec. 3.—William Wiley, colored, a patient in the Kanakake hospital, was found in bed in the dormitory Friday morning, stabbed to death. There was no sign of struggle. Fifteen other patients sleep in the dormitory. It is believed one of them did the murder.

Another Trust Forming.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 2.—An attempt is being made to consolidate all of the iron and steel manufacturing companies of the manufacturing belt known as the middle west, which reached from the Allegheny mountains to the Mississippi river. It is proposed to effect a consolidation of the leading companies that make enamelled ware, such as bath tubs, wash basins, and general laundry and bath room equipment, and then buy out the smaller concerns. The capital stock will be about \$10,000,000.

TAGUINID AND SANTA CRUZ.

The Two Towns Taken by American Troops—Agua Dulce Reported to be Holding in the Mountains.

MANILA, Dec. 8.—A dispatch from Santa Cruz, province of Iloilo, forwarde by courier to San Fabian, says that the Youngs, with three troops of the 31 cavalry and Maj. Peyton C. March's battalion of the 33d infantry, arrived at Santa Cruz Monday. The Americans left Zamboanga, province of Union, Monday morning, expecting to have a hard fight at Taguinid, in South Iloilo province, but they found on arriving there that 600 rebels, under Gen. Tins, had evacuated 35 hours before, deserting an almost impregnable position.

The insurgents had been entrenched at Taguinid, on the north side of a river, where a hundred well disciplined troops could have slaughtered a whole brigade crossing the river with the men up to their armpits in water.

The residents of Taguinid received the Americans outside the town with a brass band. They had been robbed of almost everything by the insurgents and were glad to welcome friendly and protecting troops.

A similar report awaited Gen. Young, at Santa Cruz. Prominent citizens headed by a band, escorted the Americans officers to houses, where rest and refreshments were offered.

Gen. Young's command was almost without food. The men had been living on the country, which affords but for little, and the horses were completely worn out, most of them without shoes. The inhabitants of Santa Cruz and of other towns through which the Americans passed, were glad to welcome the Americans outside the town with a brass band.

His entire refugee army have gone into the mountains eastward since the Oregon, Samar and Caliao attacked Vigan and landed a force there.

In several towns Gen. Young showed letters written by Lieut. Gilmore, showing that he had been kindly treated by the citizens and had been respected by them when he passed through last May.

Reports indicate that all the American prisoners, some 25 or 30, were at one time in Benguet province, but it is supposed now that they have been released into Lepanto province.

Gen. Young's desire is to pursue the rebels into the mountains. There is no communication between his small command and any of the other American columns, except indirectly, perhaps, by sighting and signing United States gunboats bound to or from Manila.

Capt. Rumbold with 35 men of the 33d infantry, while the other American columns laying the siege to Florida Blanca, charged into insurgent, killing 100 and several prisoners. The Americans found on the captain the sword and other things that were taken from the body of Naval Cadet Welborn C. Wood, who was killed by the rebels.

In Manila in command of the gunboat Urdueta, when that vessel was captured in the Orani river.

A press dispatch from Dagupan, containing advice later than those from Santa Cruz, says that Gen. Young hopes to find Aguinaldo in Benguet mountain pass, and to capture him there. He expects to find Aguinaldo in Santa Miguel, where a force of insurgents from Iloilo, killing several. Five Americans were slightly wounded.

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The SHIPPING BILL.

Representative Payne introduced in the House—Near the House—The bill introduced last year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The shipping bill was introduced in the house Monday by Representative Payne, of New York, who with Senator Hanna prepared and introduced the bill last year. Mr. Payne says it is the same in all essential particulars as the former bill, except that a provision is made that the bounties shall not exceed \$50,000 annually and that foreign built ships having American registry shall have only 60 per cent. of the bounty rates provided. In case the total bounties earned exceed \$500,000, a pro rata allowance is to be made.

The bill provides a compensation of 15 cents per gross ton for each 100 nautical miles covered by sail or steam vessels, outward or homeward bound, up to 1,500 miles each way, and after that 1 cent per gross ton for each 100 nautical miles covered. An additional allowance is made for steamships, beginning with 1 cent per gross ton for each 100 miles by a 15 knot ship and slightly higher rates as the speed of the ship increases. The bill also makes these merchant steamships available as auxiliary naval vessels.

Louisville Mail Team For Sale.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 4.—A decision to sell the Colonels if a suitable price can be secured was reached Monday at the Louisville horse bazaar. The owners of the Louisville horse bazaar, it was determined to send Directors Stucky and Hammer and Business Manager Pullman to the gathering of managers in New York, December 10, as a committee to carry out the purpose. If the bill is sold it will be a whole. No proposition looking to the purchase of the best players is entertained.

THE NAVY.

The Report of Secretary Long's Recommendations Three Armored Cruisers—The Navy's Budget—The Navy's Budget—The Navy's Budget.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The annual report of the secretary of the navy, just made public is a document of unusual interest, dealing not only with the work of the navy during the past year, and important recommendations for the future, but also discussing important questions relating to the navy, including the authorization of 18 new war ships, the imperative need of special legislation in the early part of congress for armor of the best quality that can be obtained, and the proposition that the thanks of congress be given to the commander-in-chief of the North Atlantic squadron and to the officers and men under his command for the part they took in the naval operations at Santiago.

The report contains a list of the largest items of the report receive extended attention at the hands of Secretary Long. As to the increase of the navy he says: "The number of large, swift and powerful armored cruisers of great coal endurance in our navy is largely disproportionate to the rest of the naval establishment. The experience of the last year has also shown the need of several smaller vessels, usually classed as gunboats. It is therefore, recommended that congress be required to authorize the construction of the following vessels:

"First—Three armored cruisers of about 10,000 tons trial displacement, of a maximum draft at deep load not over 30 feet, carrying the heaviest armor of most powerful ordnance for vessels of their class, to be so sheathed and to have the highest practicable speed and great radius of action.

"Second—Three gunboats of about 800 tons trial displacement, to be sheathed and coppered.

"And third, as recommended a year ago, three protected cruisers of about 8,000 tons trial displacement, carrying the most powerful ordnance for vessels of their class, to be sheathed and coppered, and to have the highest radius of action.

The secretary also recommends that the navy be authorized to purchase three armored cruisers of about 10,000 tons trial displacement, of a maximum draft at deep load not over 30 feet, carrying the heaviest armor of most powerful ordnance for vessels of their class, to be so sheathed and to have the highest practicable speed and great radius of action.

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MODDER RIVER CASUALTIES.

Details of the Killed and Wounded of Gen. Methuen's Forces are Leaking Out—The Losses Lighted.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The war office has received the following report from Gen. Methuen's Forces are Leaking Out—The Losses Lighted.

"Gen. French has made a reconnaissance from Naunpoor to Rosemead. The troops returned today. "Gen. Methuen's flesh wound is slight. He is remaining at Modder river for the reconstruction of the bridge. An ambulance for him with Highlanders and a cavalry corps Horse artillery, the Canadian regiment, Australian contingents and three battalions of infantry moved up to the Dr. Art and Belmont line."

As surmised the British dead and wounded at the hard-fought battle of Modder river number hundreds. Up to 10,000 British soldiers were killed, the latest accounts of the battle at Modder river, of which number 14 were killed, had been given out.

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CONGRESS MEETS.

A Protest Entered Against Seating the Member-Elect From Utah.

Although Roberts Was Not Sworn in Monday He Seemed a Satisfactory Member—His Speeches.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Appropriate tribute to the memory of the late Vice President Hobart was paid by the senate Monday at the first session of the 56th congress. The session lasted only 30 minutes and only the most formal and necessary business was transacted. After the presentation of the routine resolutions and the administration to the new members of the oath of office, Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, presented fitting resolutions upon the death of the vice president. The resolutions were ordered to be communicated to the house of representatives and the session, on motion of Mr. Keen, of New Jersey, was suspended.

Enthusiasm crowded the galleries, the opening scenes in the house Monday. The principal interest centered in the disposition of the case of Mr. Roberts, the Mormon representative from Utah. Those who anticipated a sensational denouncement were disappointed. The programme outlined by the republican leaders at their conference on Friday night was partly carried out. The objection to the administration of the oath to Mr. Roberts was entered by Mr. Taylor, of Ohio, as predicted and he moved additional amendments. The speaker, by doing so he waived any of his rights. To this the speaker responded in the negative.

There was not a protest from any quarter against the seating of Mr. Roberts. But on the contrary the only voice raised except that of Mr. Taylor, of Ohio, was that of Mr. Keen, of Arkansas, who joined with Mr. Taylor in his protest. Mr. Taylor offered his resolution to refer the case to a special committee but, by mutual consent, the resolution of Mr. Keen was postponed until Tuesday, in order that the routine business in connection with the organization might be transacted Monday.

Although Mr. Roberts was not sworn in Monday he seemed a satisfactory member. However, was by an accident pure and simple. In the seat drawing lottery the name of Mr. Roberts was drawn, but when the drawing was completed two others as well as himself had not been provided with seats, and the speaker asked and secured the names of the two others. The names of those members who had not drawn seats to make such selections as they could. Under this authority Mr. Roberts was seated in an obscure portion of the hall.

The election of Speaker Henderson and his induction into office, the appearance of the usual committee to wait upon the speaker, the drawing contest, with the usual amusing features, went off without a hitch. The only other feature out of the ordinary was the presentation of the resolutions for the present congress. The democrats knew it was futile to more than protest against the adoption of the resolutions, and the democrats knew it was futile to more than protest against the adoption of the resolutions, and the democrats knew it was futile to more than protest against the adoption of the resolutions.

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THE MESSAGE.

President McKinley Outlines
Some of the Laws Which are
Urgently Needed.

PHILIPINOS MUST FIRST BE SUBDUED.

Does Not Deem It Advisable to Recommend
a Form of Government
Until That Time.

Legislation Asked for Porto Rico, Hawaii
and Alaska—Development of Merchant
Marine—Changes in Our Financial
Laws—Needed—Our Diplomatic
Relations—Against Treaties.

To the Senate and House of Representatives.

At the threshold of your deliberations on the death of a President, I feel it my duty to pass from this life on the scene of a nation's grief to the scene of a nation's duty.

My private life was pure and unblemished by any capacity stain, and my public life was marked by a devotion to duty, which in its highest and noblest sense, was a devotion to the people.

My duty was to the people, and in the discharge of that duty, I have been aided by the wisdom and courage of the people.

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THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

Preparations for the representation of the United States at the Paris Exposition of 1904 are well advanced.

Subject to the exchange of our passport with Spain, Germany, and Italy, the United States is well prepared to take part in the Exposition.

PROGRESS IN ADJUSTING THE CANADIAN BOUNDARY DISPUTE.

The progress in adjusting the Canadian boundary dispute is well advanced.

THE SETTLEMENT OF THE VENEZUELAN BOUNDARY.

The settlement of the Venezuelan boundary is well advanced.

OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD THE ISLANDS.

Our attitude toward the islands is well advanced.

THE MERCHANT MARINE.

The merchant marine is well advanced.

RUSSIA PROVES HER ADHERENCE TO THE TREATY.

Russia proves her adherence to the treaty.

THE SETTLEMENT OF THE SAMOAN QUESTION.

The settlement of the Samoan question is well advanced.

OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Our foreign relations are well advanced.

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Building Material.

ROUGH AND DRESSED LUMBER.

Doors and Windows, Shingles &c.
Lime and Cement.
Builders' Hardware,
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ESTIMATES
CHERFULLY
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Hay, Oats, Corn, Bran, etc., etc

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WORK OF NATIONAL BANKS.

Some Startling Figures, if True.

Some idea of the pernicious effect the class legislation fostered by the republican party has upon the agricultural sections may be gained from an analysis of the following tables showing the per capita circulation of money in the various states. It will be seen when the per capita circulation of the nation was \$22.40:

Rhode Island	\$98.59
Massachusetts	86.17
New York	74.81
Connecticut	71.14
California	47.84
New Hampshire	45.04
Vermont	40.15
Pennsylvania	38.83
Maine	36.10
Maryland	36.60
District of Columbia	25.75
Delaware	25.58
New Jersey	22.44
Colorado	19.47
Montana	18.95
Illinois	17.25
Ohio	15.91
Michigan	14.70
Iowa	13.70
Minnesota	12.92
Missouri	12.50
Wyoming	12.41
Wisconsin	11.35
Arizona	10.30
Kansas	10.16
North Dakota	10.12
Washington	9.86
Kentucky	9.46
Nebraska	8.47
Utah	8.32
Oregon	8.32
Indiana	8.25
South Dakota	8.12
West Virginia	7.91
Louisiana	7.05
Nevada	6.65
Virginia	6.50
Idaho	5.87
New Mexico	5.63
Texas	5.61
Tennessee	5.12
Florida	4.28
Oklahoma	4.24
Georgia	3.18
South Carolina	2.90
Mississippi	2.72
Indian Territory	2.60
North Carolina	2.43
Alabama	1.91
Arkansas	1.60

Thus it will be seen that the bank bills of Vermont and New Hampshire show 400 per cent. greater per capita circulation than the great agricultural states of Kansas and Nebraska and 400 per cent. more than Texas.

It is not surprising that special legislation has made the northeast a stockholder republic section, but what is to be thought of agricultural Iowa, which has 405 per cent. less than Connecticut and 700 per cent. less than Rhode Island?

The policy of the republican party since men like Lincoln passed from control has been to build up a favored class in the manufacturing centers at the expense of the great agricultural sections. Sooner or later this fact must become patent to every farming community, just as it has long since been understood and appreciated by the favored sections.—Faduch News.

A SURE CURE FOR CROUP.

Twenty-Five Years' Constant Use Without a Failure.

The first indication of croup, hoarseness and in a child subject to this disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Follow this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxious mother. We have yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effective. No other preparation can show such a record—twenty-five years' constant use without a failure. For sale by Cowell & Cowell, Richmond, and A. M. Shaw, State Line, Druggists.

SAT UP IN HER COFFIN

While Funeral Arrangements Were Being Made.

CHILLICOTHE, OHIO, Dec. 5.—After being given up for dead by her relatives and the attending physicians, and having all her funeral arrangements made, Miss Nora Johnson, a 16-year-old girl living near Bryner, sat up in her coffin and told of a strange visitation that she had experienced while her parents were making ready for her interment.

Miss Johnson is the daughter of a well-to-do farmer. A few days ago, without any previous illness, she suddenly fell into a death like trance. Just before an imation was suspended she had been in the best of spirits. The trance so nearly resembled death that parents and physicians alike were baffled.

The girl was laid out and an absent brother, who was in Chillicothe, was telegraphed for. He had just concluded reading a letter from his sister, Nora, inviting him home to Thanksgiving dinner and the shock came to him to learn. He had scarcely reached home to join the other mourners at his sister's funeral, when their weeping was changed to amusement, as he sat sitting up in his coffin. Her awakening was as sudden as had been the suspension of animation. Without warning she came out of her trance, and as her astonished relatives gathered about her, she related to them a strange vision.

While she had been on her bier she declared that she had a dream. She had been "talked with" by the Lord, and he had told her that she was to die within a week. The girl had talked about nothing else that had occurred during her trance. She seemingly was unconscious of everything about her, and had remembered nothing except the warning she said she had received from God.

The nature of the message she brought back from the spirit land, as it may be, is such that the Johnsons were reluctant about telling the facts in the case. During the week they have watched her carefully. The week expired and at last reports the girl was still alive and healthy.

The Johnsons are highly respectable and truthful people. They are vividly impressed with the strange experience they have lived through—that of almost burying the girl alive.

They believe she had a vision as she said. The occurrence has caused great amazement in the neighborhood in which it happened. The girl's sudden death had been generally reported and account of it had been published in the newspapers, giving the novel experience of reading her own obituary.

Come Forward

All persons indebted to C. A. Holcomb are notified that they must come forward and settle. Delays are dangerous. Verbum Sapienti.

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. E. B. Johnston, of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1892. In speaking of it he says: "I have been unable to get any relief, until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic on my rheumatism. My back was so painful, my arms and legs were so stiff, that I was unable to move very much, but one good application of Pain Balm relieved me. For sale by Cowell & Cowell, Hickman, and A. M. Shaw, State Line, Druggists.

THE loss in the United States from bad roads is said to be \$500,000,000 annually. There are 300,000 miles of highway road in this country, most of which is in a dilapidated condition. No better or more profitable work can be undertaken than the improvement of these highways. The cost would be slight compared to the profit, and the indirect gain to all classes is beyond all calculation.

Paid Dear for His Leg.

B D Blanton, of Thackerville, Va., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it by the use of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles. 50c a box. Sold by all druggists.

A GREAT many people are wondering what it is that is increasing the price of corn, and keeping it up, despite the fact that there is a much larger crop of corn than last year. This is easily explained, says the Dennison Herald, from the fact that the cotton crop is short. For several years cotton and hogs and meat have fattened the Texas cattle, or at least have almost accomplished that. This year the cotton seed product will not be to exceed one-third of what it was last year, and thousands of head of cattle will have to be fattened on corn.

Council Proceeds

HICKMAN, KY., Dec. 5.—The Council met in regular session, Mayor Dillon, Councilmen Davis and Ware.

The City Clerk being absent, the following business was transacted: The minutes of the last meeting read, approved and signed.

The following accounts were presented for audit and approved: R. T. Ivler, insurance City Hall, \$50.00; John Ringwood, work on streets, 45.75; W. L. McQuinn, paid street pay roll for 4 weeks, ending Dec. 2, \$22.25.

S. D. Luten, County Court Clerk, presented an account of \$20.00 for balance furnished for city election, 1899, which on motion, was referred to the Finance Committee for further consideration.

The Report of Water and Light placed before the council for month of November, as follows:

To be in Treasury Nov. 1st, \$109.85
"not collected in November, 184.04
By amt paid out during Nov, 264.89

Balance in treasury Dec 1st, \$90.71

Tom Dillon, Jr., Sup.

The City Marshal presented the following report for month of November:

To taxes collected, \$487.31
For which I hold Treasurer's receipt, 109.80

The City Treasurer presented the following report for month of November:

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT.
To bal. per last report, \$64.89
"amt rec'd of W. L. McQuinn, 109.80
By checks paid in Nov, \$86.79

Balance, \$187.90

To be in credit of this account, \$271.14

COLLAGE FUND ACCOUNT.
To balance in treasury Nov. 1st, \$291.70
By bonds and interest paid, 312.95

Balance overdrawn, \$91.25

CITY HALL ACCOUNT.
To balance last report, \$29.89
"amt paid in by City Clerk, 30.20

To be in credit of this account, \$60.14

No change in Water and Light account.

Eliminating the Negro Vote.

Some days ago there was published a proposition which it was said one of the republican National Committee men would urge the Committee to adopt, in order to cut down representation in the National Convention from States where the Republican vote is large; in fact, do away with the present mode of apportioning delegates. Of course, if adopted, the plan would almost eliminate the negro delegates from the South, always an uncertain and costly factor in the Convention, and would increase the vote from the Northern States. It has been suggested that financial reasons also are involved in this plan and that the financial managers of the delegate question have concluded that negro delegates are too expensive, and that it will be better to eliminate them as soon as possible. They come high and are exceedingly unstable.

THE STEVE STAR.

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Below Post-office, and opposite R. R. Station. R. C. Steves, Proprietor. Buggies, cabs, for hire. Every accommodation given. Your patronage solicited.

EAKER,

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of the heart to love best the things and the good "old days" are gone," but when we draw comparisons between the old and new election, when the brave sovereign stepped up to the clerk and called out the name of his candidate, and we see the desire recorded in black and white, and this new fangled thing in which men now hide while they exercise the grandest right known to human government, we yearn for the return of the old first Monday, when the first watermelon came to town, when elder and ginger cakes were the only article of barter on that day, and the guns used were marbles and the "shooting" was all directed at the "middle man."—Marion Press.

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DEAR SIR:—I am enabled to sell, and hereby offer you, four full quarts of "HOLLYWOOD" Scotch Whisky, for \$3.00, EXPRESS PREPAID.

I propose to ship on approval, in plain boxes, with no marks to indicate contents. When you receive it and test it, if it is not satisfactory return it at my expense and I will refund you \$3.00. This is a most liberal offer, and I await your order. Yours very truly,

W. R. WEBSTER, Union City, Tenn.

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Length 108 inches, diameter at large end 2 1/2 inches, at small end 1 1/2 inches, middle 1 1/2 inches. The ear of corn is placed in the American National Bank of Nashville, Tenn., unshipped and no one can possibly know the number of grains on it. The Semi-Weekly American, the greatest Semi-Weekly News, Family and Farm Paper in the South, 104 numbers a year—less than a cent a copy—offers to the subscribers first mailing in the correct, or nearest correct guess, remaining \$1 for twelve months' subscription to the Semi-Weekly American.

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Second correct, or nearest correct guess received, cash 150.00

Third correct, or nearest correct guess received, Fine Big Bicycle 75.00

Fourth correct, or nearest correct guess received, High Grade ball bearing 50.00

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Seventh correct, or nearest correct guess received, Fine Big Bicycle 50.00

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